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ON THE LINE:

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THERE IS A REPORT that Chief Justice Earl Warren will go to Dallas when members of his special commission inquiring into the assassination of President Kennedy journey there for a first-hand view of the scene.

What could be gained by that?

There are still signs in Dallas, reading, "Impeach Earl Warren," and, apparently, some Dallasites who believe that would be a cracking good move. Lyndon Johnson and his wife were

roughed up in Dallas in 1960, Adlai Stevenson was pelted and spat upon, Kennedy was killed. It does not necessarily follow, of course, that harm would come to the Chief Justice but on the other hand there is nothing his presence in Dallas could add to the fund of knowledge about the death of the President.

While we're on the topic, isn't that Warren Commission taking an uncommonly long time to release its findings?

The longer it holds on to the simple, if terrible, truths of the President's death, the more it will encourage the lunatic fringe to transport itself into new fantasy about the case.

A 300-page paperback entitled "Oswald, l'Impossible Assassin," appears in France next month. Its author, Joachim Joesten, of New York, will charge that Oswald was a CIA operative who was done away with by some not readily definable "higher up," Texans also responsible for JFK's death.

In a note to editors, Joesten states, "Notice to Assassins: You can kill me, too, but you can no longer stop the truth." Numerous copies of my manuscript have been placed in safe hands throughout Europe. Anything that may happen to me will only enhance the worldwide repercussions of my expose. P.S.—Libel suits will be particularly welcome."

It is this sort of thing the Warren Commission could take care of, once and for all, with a clear-cut and accelerated report.

If there is continued delay there will be a mounting number of such books. The success of "Oswald, l'Impossible Assassin" in France is assured. The French reporters and broadcasters who covered the Ruby trial seemed determined to the last man to establish a conspiracy between the murderer and the accused assassin. No amount of evidence in the Ruby trial could persuade them to believe otherwise.

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